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Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

- (X) Appellant's Reply to Examiner's Answer Under 37 C.F.R. 41.41.
- (X) Form PTO/SB/32 Request for Oral Hearing Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (in duplicate), with check for \$1,000.00.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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